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1. During the period from 1 January to 30 June 1952, unplanned losses  
of the DDR Ministry of Mining and Smelting amounted to 34,000,000 DDM.
2. Furnace coke imports from Poland and Czechoslovakia for the fourth  
quarter of 1952 have been cut by 130,000 metric tons because the  
delivering countries state that they are unable to furnish the planned  
amount of coke.
3. In October 1952, Stahl- und Walzwerk Brandenburg and Stahl- und Walzwerk  
Riesa informed the DDR Ministry of Mining and Smelting that only a  
three days' supply of scrap iron was on hand. Since serious scrap  
iron shortages were also reported by other plants, 15,000 metric tons  
of scrap from state reserves were made available to all DDR steel works.

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